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# Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications



# Annual accounts of the Office of the Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications

(BEREC Office)

Financial year 2016

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#### CERTIFICATION OF THE ACCOUNTS

The annual accounts of BEREC Office, the Office of the Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications, for the year 2016 have been prepared in accordance with Title IX of the BEREC Office Financial Regulation and the accounting rules adopted by myself in my capacity as the Commission's Accounting Officer, as are to be applied by all the institutions and union bodies.

In line with Article 50(2) of the BEREC Office Financial Regulation, I have been nominated as the new Accounting Officer of BEREC Office with effect of 18 April 2016.

Therefore, I acknowledge my responsibility for the preparation and presentation of the annual accounts of BEREC Office in accordance with Article 99 of the BEREC Office Financial Regulation.

I have obtained from the Authorising Officers, who certified its reliability, all the information necessary for the production of the accounts that show BEREC Office's assets and liabilities and the budgetary implementation.

I hereby certify that based on this information, and on such checks as I deemed necessary to sign off the accounts, I have a reasonable assurance that the accounts present fairly, in all material aspects, the financial position, the results of the operations and the cash-flow of BEREC Office.

[signed]

Rosa ALDEA BUSQUETS

**Accounting Officer** 

12 June 2017

#### BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON BEREC OFFICE

The BEREC Office, an EU Agency based in Riga, was established by Regulation (EC) No 1211/2009<sup>1</sup> (hereinafter the 'Regulation') to provide professional and administrative support to the Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications (BEREC).

With the same legal act the legislator established BEREC with the objective of contributing to the development and better functioning of the internal market for electronic communications networks and services. BEREC has no legal personality and is composed of the Board of Regulators. The Board of Regulators is composed of one representative of the National Regulatory Authority (NRA) established in each Member State with primary responsibility for overseeing the day-to-day operation of the markets for electronic communications networks and services.

BEREC acts as an exclusive forum for cooperation among NRAs, and between NRAs and the Commission, in the exercise of the full range of their responsibilities under the EU regulatory framework for electronic communications. BEREC also serves as a body for reflection, debate and advice for the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission in the electronic communications field.

The BEREC Office comprises a Management Committee and an Administrative Manager.

The BEREC Office, under the guidance of the Board of Regulators, performs the following tasks:

- Providing professional and administrative support services to BEREC;
- Collecting and exchanging information from NRAs in relation to all BEREC tasks;
- Disseminating regulatory best practice among NRAs;
- Assisting the Chair in the preparation of the work of the Board of Regulators;
- Setting up EWGs (Expert Working Groups), upon request of the Board of Regulators, providing them with the support needed to ensure their smooth functioning.

Following the Article 50 of the BEREC Office Financial Regulation the Management Committee appoints the Accounting Officer who is, amongst other tasks, responsible for preparation of the annual accounts of BEREC Office which are ultimately consolidated in those of the EU. Following the Article 94 of the BEREC Financial Regulation the annual accounts shall be prepared in accordance with the accounting rules adopted by the Commission's Accounting Officer (EU Accounting Rules, EAR) that are based on the International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS). Following the decision of the BEREC Office Management Committee No MC/2016/03 of 26 February 2016, the Accounting Officer of the Commission shall as of 18 April 2016 also act as the Accounting Officer of the BEREC Office.

#### BEREC Office is financed as follows:

(a) Annual balancing subsidy from the partner DG, DG Connect

- (b) European Community assigned revenues deriving from previous years' surpluses
- (c) Contribution from EFTA Member States

(d) Voluntary contribution from the NRAs of the EU Member States in accordance with Article 5(2) of the BEREC Regulation

Currently the contribution from EFTA Member States and voluntary contribution from the NRAs of the EU Member States have not been collected.

<sup>1</sup> Regulation (EC) No 1211/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2009 establishing the Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications (BEREC) and the Office

THE BEREC OFFICE FINANCIAL YEAR 2016

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXPLANATORY NOTES

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# **BALANCE SHEET**

	Note	31.12.2016	31.12.2015
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Intangible assets		_	0
Property, plant and equipment	2.1	65	65
		65	65
CURRENT ASSETS			
Exchange receivables and non-exchange recoverables	2.2	1 085	60
Cash and cash equivalents	2.3	_	<i>787</i>
		1 085	847
TOTAL ASSETS		1 150	912
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Payables	2.4	(207)	(220)
Accrued charges and deferred income	2.5	(338)	(244)
		(545)	(464)
TOTAL LIABILITIES		(545)	(464)
NET ASSETS		605	448
Accumulated surplus		448	544
Economic result of the year		157	(96)
NET ASSETS		605	448

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

	Note	2016	2015
REVENUE			
Revenue from non-exchange transactions			
Subsidy from the Commission	3.1	4 039	<i>3 797</i>
Total		4 039	3 797
Revenue from exchange transactions			
Financial income		0	2
Other exchange revenue		0	5
Total		0	7
		4 039	3 804
EXPENSES			
Operating costs	3.2	(1 288)	(1 155)
Staff costs	3.3	(1 612)	(1 702)
Finance costs		_	(11)
Other expenses	3.4	(983)	(1 031)
		(3 882)	(3 899)
ECONOMIC RESULT OF THE YEAR		157	(96)

# **CASHFLOW STATEMENT<sup>2</sup>**

	Note	2016	2015
Economic result of the year		157	(96)
Depreciation and amortization		21	15
Operating activities			
(Increase)/decrease in exchange receivables and non-exchange recoverables		(1 025)	3
Increase/(decrease) in payables		(13)	46
Increase/(decrease) in accrued charges and deferred income		94	(176)
Investing activities			
(Increase)/decrease in intangible assets and property, plant and equipment		(21)	(52)
NET CASHFLOW		(787)	(260)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(787)	(260)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	2.3	787	1 047
Cash and cash equivalents at year-end	2.3	-	787

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Following the appointment of the Accounting Officer of the Commission as the Accounting Officer of BEREC Office, the treasury of BEREC Office was integrated into the Commission's treasury system. Because of this, BEREC Office does not have any bank accounts of its own. All payments and receipts are processed via the Commission's treasury system and registered on intercompany accounts which are presented under the heading exchange receivables.

# **STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS**

	Accumulated	Economic result	Net
	Surplus/(Deficit)	of the year	Assets
<b>BALANCE AS AT 31.12.2014</b>	99	445	544
Allocation of the 2014 economic result	445	(445)	_
Economic result of the year	_	(96)	(96)
<b>BALANCE AS AT 31.12.2015</b>	544	(96)	448
Allocation of the 2015 economic result	(96)	96	-
Economic result of the year	_	<i>157</i>	<i>157</i>
<b>BALANCE AS AT 31.12.2016</b>	448	157	605

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#### 1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### 1.1. ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES

The objective of financial statements is to provide information about financial position, performance and cashflows of an entity that is useful to a wide range of users.

The overall considerations (or accounting principles) to be followed when preparing the financial statements are laid down in EU Accounting Rule 1 'Financial Statements' and are the same as those described in IPSAS 1: fair presentation, accrual basis, going concern, consistency of presentation, materiality, aggregation, offsetting and comparative information. The qualitative characteristics of financial reporting are relevance, reliability, understandability and comparability.

#### 1.2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

#### 1.2.1. Reporting period

Financial statements are presented annually. The accounting year begins on 1 January and ends on 31 December.

#### 1.2.2. Currency and basis for conversion

The annual accounts are presented in thousands of euros, the euro being the EU's functional and reporting currency. Foreign currency transactions are translated into euros using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of foreign currency transactions and from the re-translation at year-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the statement of financial performance. Different conversion methods apply to property, plant and equipment and intangible assets, which retain their value in euros at the date when they were purchased.

Year-end balances of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into euros on the basis of the European Central Bank (ECB) exchange rates applying on 31 December.

**Euro exchange rates** 

Currency	31.12.2016	31.12.2015	Currency	31.12.2016	31.12.2015
BGN	1.9558	1.9558	PLN	4.4103	4.2639
CZK	27.0210	27.0230	RON	4.5390	4.5240
DKK	7.4344	7.4626	SEK	9.5525	9.1895
GBP	0.8562	0.7340	CHF	1.0739	1.0835
HRK	7.5597	7.6380	JPY	123.4000	131.0700
HUF	309.8300	315.9800	USD	1.0541	1.0887

#### 1.2.3. Use of estimates

In accordance with IPSAS and generally accepted accounting principles, the financial statements necessarily include amounts based on estimates and assumptions by management based on the most reliable information available. Significant estimates include, but are not limited to; accrued and deferred income and charges, provisions, financial risk on accounts receivables, contingent assets and liabilities, and degree of impairment of assets. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Reasonable estimates are essential part of the preparation of financial statements and do not undermine their reliability. An estimate may need revision if changes occur in the circumstances on which the estimate was based or as a result of new information or more experience. By its nature, the revision of an estimate does not relate to prior periods and is not the correction of an error. The effect of a change in accounting estimate shall be recognised in the surplus or deficit in the periods in which it becomes known.

#### 1.3. BALANCE SHEET

#### 1.3.1. Intangible assets

Acquired computer software licences are stated at historical cost less accumulated amortisation and impairment losses. The assets are amortised on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives. The estimated useful lives of intangible assets depend on their specific economic lifetime or legal lifetime determined by an agreement. Internally developed intangible assets are capitalised when the relevant criteria of the EU accounting rules are met. The costs capitalisable include all directly attributable costs necessary to create, produce, and prepare the asset to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management. Costs associated with research activities, non-capitalisable development costs and maintenance costs are recognised as expenses as incurred.

#### 1.3.2. Property, plant and equipment

All property, plant and equipment are stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition or construction of the asset. Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits or service potential associated with the item will flow to the entity and its cost can be measured reliably. Repairs and maintenance costs are charged to the statement of financial performance during the financial period in which they are incurred. Land and works of art are not depreciated as they are deemed to have an indefinite useful life. Assets under construction are not depreciated as these assets are not yet available for use. Depreciation on other assets is calculated using the straight-line method to allocate their cost less their residual values over their estimated useful lives, as follows:

Type of asset	Straight line depreciation rate
Buildings	4 % to 10 %
Plant and equipment	10 % to 25 %
Furniture and vehicles	10 % to 25 %
Computer hardware	25 % to 33 %
Other	10 % to 33 %

Gains or losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds less selling expenses with the carrying amount of the disposed asset and are included in the statement of financial performance.

#### Leases

Leases of tangible assets, where the entity has substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership, are classified as finance leases. Finance leases are capitalised at the inception of the lease at the lower of the fair value of the leased asset and the present value of the minimum lease payments. The interest element of the finance lease payment is charged to statement of financial performance over the period of the lease at a constant periodic rate in relation to the balance outstanding. The rental obligations, net of finance charges, are included in financial liabilities (non-current and current). The interest element of the finance cost is charged to the statement of financial performance over the lease period so as to produce a constant periodic interest rate on the remaining balance of the liability for each period. The assets held under finance leases are depreciated over the shorter of the assets' useful life and the lease term.

Leases where the lessor retains a significant portion of the risks and rewards inherent to ownership are classified as operating leases. Payments made under operating leases are charged to the statement of financial performance on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

#### 1.3.3. Impairment of non-financial assets

Assets that have an indefinite useful life are not subject to amortisation/depreciation and are tested annually for impairment. Assets that are subject to amortisation/depreciation are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs to sell and its value in use.

Intangible assets and property, plant and equipment residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at least once per year. An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount. If the reasons for impairments recognised in previous years no longer apply, the impairment losses are reversed accordingly.

#### 1.3.4. Financial assets

The financial assets are classified in the following categories: financial assets at fair value through profit or loss; loans and receivables; held-to-maturity investments; and available for sale financial assets. The classification of the financial instruments is determined at initial recognition and re-evaluated at each balance sheet date.

#### (i) Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

A financial asset is classified in this category if acquired principally for the purpose of selling in the short term or if so designated by the entity. Derivatives are also categorised in this category. Assets in this category are classified as current assets if they are expected to be realised within 12 months of the balance sheet date. During this financial year, the entity did not hold any investments in this category.

#### (ii) Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. They arise when the entity provides money, goods or services directly to a debtor with no intention of trading the receivable. They are included in non-current assets, except for maturities within 12 months of the balance sheet date. Loans and receivables include term deposits with the original maturity above three months.

#### (iii) Held-to-maturity investments

Held-to-maturity investments are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments and fixed maturities that the entity has the positive intention and ability to hold to maturity. During this financial year, the entity did not hold any investments in this category.

#### (iv) Available for sale financial assets

Available for sale financial assets are non-derivatives that are either designated in this category or not classified in any of the other categories. They are classified as either current or non-current assets, depending on the period of time the entity expects to hold them, which is usually the maturity date.

#### Initial recognition and measurement

Purchases and sales of financial assets at fair value through profit and loss, held-to-maturity and available for sale are recognised on trade date - the date on which the entity commits to purchase or sell the asset. Cash equivalents, loans and term deposits are recognised at settlement date. Financial instruments are initially recognised at fair value. For all financial assets not carried at fair value through profit and loss transaction costs are added to the fair value at initial recognition.

Financial instruments are derecognised when the rights to receive cashflows from the investments have expired or the entity has transferred substantially all risks and rewards of ownership to another party.

#### **Subsequent measurement**

Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss are subsequently carried at fair value with gains and losses arising changes in the fair value being included in the statement of financial performance in the period in which they arise.

Loans and receivables and held-to maturity investments are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Available for sale financial assets are subsequently carried at fair value. Gains and losses arising from changes in the fair value being recognised in the fairs value reserve. Interest on available for sale

financial assets calculated using the effective interest method is recognised in the statement of financial performance.

The entity assesses at each balance sheet date whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset is impaired and whether an impairment loss should be recorded in the statement of financial performance.

#### 1.3.5. Pre-financing amounts

Pre-financing is a payment intended to provide the beneficiary with a cash advance, i.e. a float. It may be split into a number of payments over a period defined in the particular contract, decision, agreement or basic legal act. The float or advance is either used for the purpose for which it was provided during the period defined in the agreement or it is repaid. If the beneficiary does not incur eligible expenditure, he has the obligation to return the pre-financing advance to the entity. The amount of the pre-financing may be reduced (wholly or partially) by the acceptance of eligible costs (which are recognised as expenses).

Pre-financing is, on subsequent balance sheet dates, measured at the amount initially recognised on the balance sheet less eligible expenses (including estimated amounts where necessary) incurred during the period.

#### 1.3.6. Receivables and recoverables

As the EU accounting rules require a separate presentation of exchange and non-exchange transactions, for the purpose of drawing up the accounts, receivables are defined as stemming from non-exchange transactions and recoverables are defined as stemming from exchange transactions (when the entity receives value from another entity without directly giving approximately equal value in exchange).

Receivables from exchange transactions meet the definition of financial instruments and are thus classified as loans and receivables and measured accordingly (see 1.3.4 above).

Recoverables from non-exchange transactions are carried at original amount (adjusted for interests and penalties) less write-down for impairment. A write-down for impairment is established when there is objective evidence that the entity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the recoverables. The amount of the write-down is the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the recoverable amount. The amount of the write-down is recognised in the statement of financial performance.

#### 1.3.7. Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are financial instruments and classified and include cash at hand, deposits held at call or at short notice with banks, and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

#### 1.3.8. Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the entity has a present legal or constructive obligation towards third parties as a result of past events, it is more likely than not that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation, and the amount can be reliably estimated. Provisions are not recognised for future operating losses. The amount of the provision is the best estimate of the expenditure expected to be required to settle the present obligation at the reporting date. Where the provision involves a large number of items, the obligation is estimated by weighting all possible outcomes by their associated probabilities ('expected value' method).

#### 1.3.9. Payables

Included under accounts payable are both amounts related to exchange transactions such as the purchase of goods and services and non-exchange transactions related e.g. to cost claims from beneficiaries, grants or other EU funding.

Where grants or other funding is provided to the beneficiaries, the cost claims are recorded as payables for the requested amount when the cost claim is received. Upon verification and acceptance of the eligible costs, the payables are valued at the accepted and eligible amount.

Payables arising from the purchase of goods and services are recognised at invoice reception for the original amount and corresponding expenses are entered in the accounts when the supplies or services are delivered and accepted by the entity.

#### 1.3.10. Accrued and deferred income and charges

Transactions and events are recognised in the financial statements in the period to which they relate. At year-end, if an invoice is not yet issued but the service has been rendered, the supplies have been delivered by the entity or a contractual agreement exists (e.g. by reference to a contract), an accrued income will be recognised in the financial statements. In addition, at year-end, if an invoice is issued but the services have not yet been rendered or the goods supplied have not yet been delivered, the revenue will be deferred and recognised in the subsequent accounting period.

Expenses are also accounted for in the period to which they relate. At the end of the accounting period, accrued expenses are recognised based on an estimated amount of the transfer obligation of the period. The calculation of accrued expenses is done in accordance with detailed operational and practical guidelines issued by the Accounting Officer which aim at ensuring that the financial statements provide a faithful representation of the economic and other phenomena they purport to represent. By analogy, if a payment has been made in advance for services or goods that have not yet been received, the expense will be deferred and recognised in the subsequent accounting period.

#### 1.4. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

#### 1.4.1. Revenue

Revenue comprises gross inflows of economic benefits or service potential received and receivable by the entity, which represents an increase in net assets, other than increases relating to contributions from owners.

Depending on the nature of the underlying transactions in the statement of financial performance it is distinguished between:

#### (i) Revenue from non-exchange transactions

Revenue from non-exchange transactions are taxes and transfers because the transferor provides resources to the recipient entity without the recipient entity providing approximately equal value directly in exchange.

Transfers are inflows of future economic benefits or service potential from non-exchange transactions, other than taxes. The entity shall recognise an asset in respect of transfers when the entity controls the resources as a result of a past event (the transfer) and expects to receive future economic benefits or service potential from those resources, and when the fair value can be reliably measured. An inflow of resources from a non-exchange transaction recognised as an asset (i.e. cash) is also recognised as revenue, except to the extent that the entity has a present obligation in respect of that transfer (condition), which needs to be satisfied before the revenue can be recognised. Until the condition is met the revenue is deferred and recognised as a liability (pre-financing received).

#### (ii) Revenue from exchange transactions

Revenue from the sale of goods and services is recognised when the significant risk and rewards of ownership of the goods are transferred to the purchaser. Revenue associated with a transaction involving the provision of services is recognised by reference to the stage of completion of the transaction at the reporting date.

#### 1.4.2. Expenses

Expenses are decreases in economic benefits or service potential during the reporting period in the form of outflows or consumption of assets or incurrence of liabilities that result in decreases in net assets/equity. They include both the expenses from exchange transactions and expenses from non-exchange transactions.

Expenses from exchange transactions arising from the purchase of goods and services are recognised when the supplies are delivered and accepted by the entity. They are valued at original invoice amount. Furthermore, at the balance sheet date expenses related to the service delivered during the period for which an invoice has not yet been received or accepted are recognised in the statement of financial performance.

Expenses from non-exchange transactions account for the majority of the entity's operating expenses. They relate to transfers to beneficiaries and can be of three types: entitlements, transfers under agreement and discretionary grants, contributions and donations. Transfers are recognised as expenses in the period during which the events giving rise to the transfer occurred, as long as the nature of the transfer is allowed by regulation or an agreement has been signed authorising the transfer; any eligibility criteria have been met by the beneficiary; and a reasonable estimate of the amount can be made.

When a request for payment or cost claim is received and meets the recognition criteria, it is recognised as an expense for the eligible amount. At year-end, incurred eligible expenses due to the beneficiaries but not yet reported are estimated and recorded as accrued expense.

#### 1.5. CONTINGENT ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

#### 1.5.1. Contingent assets

A contingent asset is a possible asset that arises from past events and of which the existence will be confirmed only by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the entity. A contingent asset is disclosed when an inflow of economic benefits or service potential is probable.

#### 1.5.2. Contingent liabilities

A contingent liability is a possible obligation that arises from past events and of which the existence will be confirmed only by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the entity; or a present obligation that arises from past events but is not recognised because: it is not probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits or service potential will be required to settle the obligation or, in the rare circumstances where the amount of the obligation cannot be measured with sufficient reliability.

#### 2. NOTES TO THE BALANCE SHEET

#### **ASSETS**

# 2.1. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

EUR '000

	Furniture and vehicles	Computer hardware	Other	Total
Gross carrying amount at 31.12.2015	15	<i>57</i>	49	121
Additions	_	14	7	21
Gross carrying amount at 31.12.2016	15	71	55	141
Accumulated depreciation at 31.12.2015	(4)	(41)	(10)	(55)
Depreciation charge of the year	(2)	(7)	(12)	(21)
Accumulated depreciation at 31.12.2016	(5)	(48)	(22)	(76)
NET CARRYING AMOUNT at 31.12.2016	10	23	32	65
NET CARRYING AMOUNT at 31.12.2015	11	16	<i>38</i>	65

# 2.2. EXCHANGE RECEIVABLES & NON-EXCHANGE RECOVERABLES

At 31.12.2016 the BEREC Office did not have any non-current receivables and recoverables. The amounts included under this heading are of a short term nature and can be broken down as follows:

EUR '000

	31.12.2016	31.12.2015
Recoverables from non-exchange transactions		
Member States	<i>7</i> 2	49
Total	72	49
Receivables from exchange transactions  Deferred charges relating to exchange transactions	72	11
Central treasury liaison accounts	941	_
Total	1 013	11
Total	1 085	60

The heading recoverables from Member States comprises mainly VAT amounts to be recovered from the Latvian Taxation Authorities.

In accordance with the Seat Agreement and the protocol on privileges and immunities of the European Union, the BEREC Office is entitled to VAT reimbursements for purchases with a value of more than EUR 177.86<sup>3</sup>.

The significant increase in receivables from exchange transactions is the effect of the use of the central treasury of the Commission. A corresponding decrease is noted in cash and cash equivalents. (see note **2.3**).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Seat Agreement between the BEREC Office and the Government of the Republic of Latvia signed at Riga on 24.02.2011. http://www.berec.europa.eu/eng/document\_register/subject\_matter/berec\_office/others/1032-seat-agreement-between-the-berec-office-and-the-government-of-the-republic-of-latvia

## 2.3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Following the appointment of the Accounting Officer of the Commission as the Accounting Officer of the BEREC Office, the treasury of the BEREC Office was integrated into the Commission's treasury system. Due to this the BEREC Office does not have any bank accounts of its own at 31.12.2016. All payments and receipts are processed via the Commission's treasury system and registered on intercompany accounts which are presented under the heading receivables from exchange transactions (see note **2.2**).

#### **LIABILITIES**

#### 2.4. PAYABLES

EUR '000

	31.12.2016	31.12.2015
Payables to the Commission	207	220
Total	207	220

The amount payables to the Commission comprises the unused amount of the 2016 Commission subsidy that is to be reimbursed by the BEREC Office in 2017.

#### 2.5. ACCRUED CHARGES AND DEFERRED INCOME

At 31.12.2016 the BEREC Office does not have any deferred income. All the amounts under this heading comprise accrued charges.

EUR '000

	31.12.2016	31.12.2015
Accrued charges	338	244
Total	338	244

Accrued charges are the amounts estimated by the authorising officer of costs incurred for services and goods delivered in year 2016 but not yet invoiced or processed by the end of the year. The basis of the accruals calculation is the open amount of budgetary commitments at year end. They include estimated operating expenses of kEUR 161, administrative expenses of kEUR 143 and staff related expenses of kEUR 34.

The accrued administrative expenses are mainly composed of other external services (kEUR 70), missions (kEUR 31) and training expenses (kEUR 30).

The accrued staff expenses include accrued charges for untaken leave of kEUR 29.

# 3. NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

#### **REVENUE**

#### **NON-EXCHANGE REVENUE**

#### 3.1. OTHER NON-EXCHANGE REVENUE

EUR '000

	2016	2015
Subsidy of the Commission	4 039	<i>3 797</i>
Total	4 039	3 797

In 2016 the BEREC Office received two financial transfers corresponding to the subsidy (pre-financing) from the European Commission amounting to kEUR 4 246. The first subsidy of kEUR 2 564 was received on 11 March 2016 and the second subsidy of kEUR 1 682 on 24 October 2016. In 2015 the European Commission subsidy amounted kEUR 4 017.

The amounts included under this heading correspond to the amounts of the Commission subsidy used during 2016. Unused amounts are recorded under accounts payable (see note **2.4**) and will be reimbursed to the Commission in 2017. The corresponding accrued expense will be recorded in the financial statements of the Commission.

#### **EXPENSES**

#### 3.2. OPERATING COSTS

Included under this heading are mostly expenses covering the BEREC Office's activities in relation to the fulfilment of its mission in support of BEREC.

#### 3.3. STAFF COSTS

Included under this heading are expenses for salaries, other employment-related allowances and benefits. The calculations related to staff costs are, based on the service level agreement, entrusted to the Office for Administration and Payment of Individual Entitlements (also known as the Paymaster's Office-PMO).

The staff members of the BEREC Office are part of the European Officials Pensions Scheme. The administration of pensions is entrusted to the European Commission which also accounts for the underlying pension expenses and liabilities.

A defined benefit plan is a pension plan that generally defines an amount of benefit an employee will receive on retirement, usually dependent on one or more factors such as age and years of service. Both BEREC Office staff and the European Commission contribute to the pension scheme in the function of the basic salary of the staff. The contribution percentage is yearly revised to reflect the changes in staff regulation. The cost to the European Commission is not reflected in the BEREC Office's accounts.

Future benefits payable to the BEREC Office staff under the European Communities Pension Scheme are accounted for in the accounts of the European Commission. No provisions for such pensions are made in these accounts.

#### 3.4. OTHER EXPENSES

EUR '000

	2016	2015
Property, plant and equipment related expenses	9 <i>7</i>	90
Communications & publications	18	58
Office supplies & maintenance	48	56
Missions	231	227
External IT services	<i>37</i>	69
External non IT services	453	431
Other	99	101
Total	983	1 031

In 2015 annual accounts the heading 'Other expenses' included the amount of kEUR 11 related to bank interest, that is now presented under the heading 'Finance costs'.

Property, plant and equipment-related expenses are the rent and related service costs of the headquarters' premises in Riga.

Other costs include recruitment costs, staff training costs, legal costs and office supplies costs.

Included under this heading are expenses of kEUR 35 relating to operating leases. The operating leases relate to the rent of offices in Riga and amounts committed to be paid during the remaining term of the lease contracts are as follows:

	Futur	oaid		
	< 1 year	1- 5 years	> 5 years	Total
Buildings	43	139	-	181
IT materials and other equipment	0	_	_	0
Total	43	139	_	182

#### 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT DISCLOSURES

#### 4.1 OUTSTANDING COMMITMENTS NOT YET EXPENSED

At 31.12.2016 the Outstanding commitments not yet expensed amounted to kEUR 498. The amount comprises the budgetary RAL ('Reste à Liquider') less related amounts that have been included as expenses in the 2016 statement of financial performance. The budgetary RAL is an amount representing the open commitments for which payments and/or de-commitments have not yet been made. This is the normal consequence of the existence of multi-annual programmes.

#### 4.2 SERVICES IN-KIND

In compliance with the Seat Agreement and the Memorandum of Understanding between the BEREC Office and the Government of the Republic of Latvia the Latvian Government charges the rent on the BEREC Office premises at the price established in accordance with the provisions of the Regulations of the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Latvia on state and local government property leasing agreements, methodology for calculation of rental expenses/lease expenses and terms for standard lease. The rental price agreed in the last amendement of the rent contract of September 2016 is of 4.61 EUR/m². The contract is valid until 31.03.2021.

The premises have a total gross usable space of 772.5 m<sup>2</sup>. This gross usable space is based on the needs of an estimated staff of 30 persons and meeting room space appropriate for the activities of the BEREC Office. The monthly cost of rent is EUR 3 558.14.

According to a study published on the Latvian government's website, in the first semester of 2014 the average price for renting a square meter of office space in Riga was around 10 EUR/m<sup>2</sup>. The BEREC Office is not in possession of more recent information regarding average price for the renting in 2016.

#### 4.3 KEY MANAGEMENT ENTITLEMENTS

The highest ranked civil servant of the BEREC Office is the Administrative Manager, who executes the role of the Authorising Officer.

	31.12.2016	31.12.2015
Administrative Manager	AD14	AD14

The Administrative Manager is remunerated in accordance with the Staff Regulations of the European Union that is published on the Europa website which is the official document describing the rights and the obligation of all officials of the EU. The Administrative Manager has not received any preferential loans from the BEREC Office.

#### 4.4 RELATED PARTIES

The related parties of the BEREC Office are the other EU consolidated entities and the key management personnel of the BEREC Office. Transactions between these parties take place within normal operations of the BEREC Office and therefore no specific disclosure requirements are necessary for these transactions to be in accordance with the EU accounting rules.

#### 5. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS DISCLOSURES

#### 5.1. CURRENCY RISKS

#### Exposure to currency risk at year end

At 31.12.2016 the financial assets are composed of exchange receivables and non-exchange recoverables. Their ending balances are only quoted in EUR (kEUR 1 085).

At 31.12.2016 the financial liabilities are entirely composed of accounts payable. Their ending balances are only quoted in EUR (kEUR 207).

#### 5.2. CREDIT RISK

#### Financial assets that are neither past due nor impaired

At 31.12.2016 the financial assets comprise exchange receivables and non-exchange recoverables that are neither past due nor impaired of kEUR 1 085. The past due not impaired receivables relate to VAT recoverable from a Member State (Latvia) and all amounts are past due for less than 1 year.

#### Financial assets by risk category

Exchange receivables of kEUR 1 013 entirely relate to entities without external credit rating that never defaulted in the past. Non-exchange recoverables of kEUR 72 are composed of amounts due by the Member States, namely Latvia and are largely VAT related.

#### **5.3. LIQUIDITY RISK**

#### Maturity analysis of financial liabilities by remaining contractual maturity

The financial liabilities are mainly composed of accounts payable to consolidated entities (kEUR 207). All the accounts payable have remaining contractual maturity of less than 1 year.

THE BEREC OFFICE FINANCIAL YEAR 2016

# REPORTS ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BUDGET

It should be noted that due to the rounding of figures into thousands of euros, some financial data in the tables below may appear not to add-up.

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# 1. BUDGETARY PRINCIPLES, STRUCTURE AND IMPLEMENTATION

## 1.1. Budgetary principles

In Accordance with Title II of the BEREC Office Financial Regulation, the establishment and implementation of the budget of the BEREC Office shall comply with the following principles:

#### Principles of unity and budget accuracy

This principle means that no revenue shall be collected and no expenditure effected unless booked to a line in the BEREC Office's budget.

An appropriation must not be entered in the budget if it is not for an item of expenditure that is considered necessary.

No expenditure may be committed or authorised in excess of the appropriations authorised by the budget.

#### **Principle of annuality**

The appropriations entered in the budget shall be authorised for a financial year which shall run from 1 January to 31 December.

#### Principle of equilibrium

Revenue and payment appropriations shall be in balance.

#### Principle of unit of account

The budget shall be drawn up and implemented in euro and the accounts shall be presented in euro.

#### **Principle of universality**

Total revenue shall cover total payment appropriations and all revenue and expenditure shall be entered in full without any adjustment against each other.

#### **Principle of specification**

Appropriations shall be earmarked for specific purposes by title and chapter. The chapters shall be further subdivided into articles and items.

#### Principle of sound financial management

Budget appropriations shall be used in accordance with the principle of sound financial management, namely in accordance with the principles of economy, efficiency and effectiveness.

#### **Principle of transparency**

The budget shall be established and implemented and the accounts presented in accordance with the principle of transparency. The budget and any amending budgets shall be published in the Official Journal of the European Union.

## 1.2. Structure and presentation of the budget

In accordance with Article 11 of Council Regulation (EC) No 1211/2009<sup>4</sup> establishing the BEREC Office, the revenues and resources of the Office shall consist, in particular, of:

- a subsidy from the Union, entered under the appropriate headings of the general budget of the European Union (Commission Section), as decided by the budgetary authority and in accordance with Point 47 of the IIA of 17 May 2006;
- financial contributions from Member States or from their NRAs made on a voluntary basis in accordance with Article 5(2). These contributions shall be used to finance specific items of operational expenditure as defined in the agreement to be concluded between the Office and the Member States or their NRAs pursuant to Article 19(1)(b) of Commission Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 2343/2002 of 19 November 2002 on the framework Financial Regulation for the bodies referred to in Article 185 of Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 on the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Communities.

The initial Budget of the BEREC Office for 2016, as adopted by the Management Committee of the BEREC Office (hereinafter, MC) and approved by the budgetary authority in 2015, is kEUR 4 246 including:

- kEUR 4 072: main subsidy from the European Union voted by the budgetary authority;
- kEUR 174: budget outturn (surplus) 2014

The budget of the BEREC Office is distributed in three Titles. Title 1 covers staff expenditure such as salaries, training and costs associated to recruitment procedures and staff welfare. Title 2 covers the costs relating to the functioning of the BEREC Office such as administrative costs on infrastructure, equipment and IT needs. Title 3 corresponds to the organisation's operational activities.

**TITLE 1** - Staff expenses

TITLE 2 - Buildings, equipment and miscellaneous operating expenses

**TITLE 3** - Operational expenses

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> OJ L 337, 18.12.2009, p. 1

## 1.3. Highlights of the budgetary implementation

On the 2016 voted budget implementation:

By the end of 2016, the BEREC Office received 2 instalments from the Commission, constituting the subsidy from the Commission and amounting to kEUR 4 246 (in 2015 – kEUR 4 017).

As regards expenditure, the BEREC Office has only non-differentiated appropriations; therefore, commitment and payment appropriations are equal.

The BEREC Office made 7 transfers of appropriations within the limits allowed to the Administrative Manager based on Article 27(1) of the Decision MC/2014/1 on the BEREC Office Financial Regulation (in 2015 - 18).

The Administrative Manager may make transfers from one chapter to another and from one article to another without limit and from one title to another up to a maximum of 10 % of the appropriations for the financial year shown on the line from which the transfer is made.

Out of kEUR 4 246 of allowed commitment and payment appropriations, kEUR 4 085 (96.20 %) were committed and kEUR 3 278 (77.19 %) were paid (in 2015 - out of kEUR 4 017 of appropriations, kEUR 3 842 (95.65 %) and kEUR 3 226 (80.31 %) were accordingly committed and paid).

Commitments are entered in the accounts on the basis of the legal commitments entered into up to 31 December and payments on the basis of the payments made by the Accounting Officer by 31 December of that year, at the latest.

Non-differentiated appropriations corresponding to obligations duly contracted at the close of the financial year will be carried over automatically to the following financial year only.

The amount which was neither committed by the end of 2016 nor carried forward to 2017 will not be automatically deducted from the budget of any following year. The general rule is that if the implementation of commitment appropriations (fund source C1) in the budget for 2016 would remain below 95%, penalties amounting to a 2 % reduction in the 2018 budget would be foreseen. This indicator for the BEREC Office is 96.20 %.

The outstanding commitments at the end of the year are automatically carried forward to 2017.

The total carry-forward from 2016 to 2017 of kEUR 807 represents a percentage of 19.75 % of total commitments established in 2016 (in 2015 – 16.03 %).

Out of kEUR 616 carried forward from 2015 to 2016, kEUR 45 (7.29 %) were cancelled (in 2015 out of carried-forward kEUR 927 – kEUR 39 (4.17 %) were cancelled).

Cancellations happened mostly due to the fact that:

#### Title 1

- The mission expenses were based on the average amount paid to mission performers during 2015. The actual spending was lower by kEUR 4 (4.22 % of the total carried forward for this purpose appropriations); the unused appropriations had to be cancelled;
- The estimate of expenses for training delivered by the EC services was based on the average amount paid to the EC in 2014. However, the actual spending was lower by kEUR 1(2.3 % of the total carried forward for this purpose appropriations). Therefore, the unused appropriations had to be cancelled;
- Part of the amount of the travelling expenses for an on-site coaching for the year-end closure needed to be cancelled as the travel cost was kEUR 2 less than expected (2.5 % of the total carried forward for this purpose appropriations);
- The BEREC Office has planned missions for the ICC assistant from ENISA for ex-post controls (under a SLA for sharing the ICC capacity) but the control activities were performed remotely and the amount planned for the travel was lower by kEUR 5 (5.8% of the total carried forward for this purpose appropriations) and needed to be cancelled;

- Carry-forwards for interim staff contracts were based on the contracts' amount. The actual expenditure was lower by kEUR 3 (3.49 % of the total carried forward for this purpose appropriations) and unused appropriation had to be cancelled.

#### Title 2

- The implementation of the Activity based costing/activity based budgeting (ABC/ABB) project was delayed and the contract for customisation of the application had to be extended until 2017. The non-expenses had to be cancelled (kEUR 5-8.13~% of the total carried forward for this purpose appropriations);
- The estimates of the needs for telecommunication services (that in accordance to contracts were in place until October November 2016) were done on the basis of expenses incurred in the previous period. The actual spending on these services was lower by kEUR 2 (13.54 % of the total carried forward for this purpose appropriations) Therefore, the unused appropriations had to be cancelled.

#### Title 3

- Reimbursement of participants/experts to EWGs, Article 7 and 7a EWGs, Chair's and Vice-Chairs' travel were based on the number of people invited and eligible to receive reimbursements and average costs per expert;

However, the final costs depend on the actual participation and the number of applications received and actual costs incurred. These costs were lower than estimated by kEUR 9 and were cancelled (2.37% of the total carried forward for this purpose' appropriations);

- A speaker from the USA invited to a workshop, rescheduled from December 2015 to the beginning of 2016 could not attend the event and therefore the amount of kEUR 7 needed to be cancelled (3.74% of the total carried forward for this purpose' appropriations).

The amount of cancelled carried forward appropriations from 2015 (fund source C8) will not be automatically deducted from next year's (i.e. 2017) budget. However, if the cancellation of payment appropriations (fund source C8) in the budget exceeds 5%, a 2% reduction may be applied for the 2018 budget. This indicator for the BEREC Office is 7.29%. The 2.29 percentage point cancellation over the target represents kEUR 14. This very low amount has led to the high cancellation rate because technical carry-overs (commitments for travel expenses reimbursements) are relatively high in the total, otherwise moderate carry-overs. The BEREC Office, due to its specific mandate, provides support to BEREC with organising meetings, including reimbursing travel expenses, and does not run high scale projects that would generate a volume of precisely predictable carry-overs in budgetary commitments.

# 2. RESULT OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BUDGET

			EUR '000
	Title	2016	2015
Revenue		4 246	4 024
of which:			
European Community subsidy	20-0	4 246	4 017
Administrative operations and miscellaneous income	50-0	0	7
Expenditure		(3 278)	(3 226)
of which:			
Staff expenditure	A-1	(2 072)	(2 126)
Admin expenditure	A-2	(257)	(171)
Operational expenditure	B-3	(949)	(929)
Payment appropriat. carried over to the following		(807)	(616)
year			
of which:			
Staff expenditure	A-1	(252)	(165)
Admin expenditure	A-2	(105)	(134)
Operational expenditure	B-3	(450)	(317)
Cancellation of unused appropr. carried over from year n-1		45	39
Evolution of assigned revenue		(0)	-
Exchange rate differences		0	(0)
Budget result		207	220

# 3. RECONCILIATION OF ECONOMIC RESULT WITH BUDGET RESULT

		EUR '000
	2016	2015
Economic result of the year	157	(96)
Adjustment for accrual items (items not in the budgetary result but included in the economic result)		
Adjustments for accrual cut-off (net)	34	(178)
Depreciation of intangible and tangible assets	21	15
Payments made from carry-over of payment appropriations	571	888
Adjustment for budgetary items (item included in the budgetary result but not in the economic result)		
Asset acquisitions (less unpaid amounts)	(21)	(52)
New pre-financing received in the year and remaining open as at 31 December	207	220
Payment appropriations carried over to next year	(807)	(616)
Cancellation of unused carried over payment appropriations from previous year	45	39
Budget result of the year	207	220

# 4. IMPLEMENTATION OF BUDGET REVENUE

# 4.1. Title 20-0

EUR '000

			Income appropriations		Entitlements established			Reve	enue		
		Initial budget	Final budget	Current year	Carried	Total	Current year	Carried	Total	%	Outstanding
			2	3	4	5=3+4	6	7	8=6+7	9=8/2	10
20-0	European Community Subsidy	4 246	4 246	4 246	-	4 246	4 246	-	4 246	100%	-
Total chapter 20-0		4 246	4 246	4 246	_	4 246	4 246	_	4 246	100%	-
Total Title 20-0		4 246	4 246	4 246	_	4 246	4 246	_	4 246	100%	_

# 4.2. Title 50-0

		Income appropriations			Entitlements established			Revenue			
		Initial budget	Final budget	Current year	Carried	Total	Current year	Carried	Total	%	Outstanding
		1	2	3	4	5=3+4	6	7	8=6+7	9=8/2	10
50-0	Administrative operations and miscellaneous income	-	-	0	-	0	0	-	0	0%	-
Total cha	pter 50-0	-	-	0	=	0	0	=	0	0%	-
Total Tit	le 50-0	-	-	0	-	0	0	-	0	0%	-
GRAND '	TOTAL	4 246	4 246	4 246	_	4 246	4 246	-	4 246	100%	-

# 5. IMPLEMENTATION OF BUDGET EXPENDITURE

# 5.1. Breakdown & changes in commitment appropriations

#### 5.1.1. Title A-1

									EUR UUU
			Budget appropria	ations of the year		Ad	ditional appropriatio	ns	
		Initial adopted budget	Amending budgets	Transfers	Final budget adopted	Carryover	Assigned revenue	Total	Total appropr. available
		1	2	3	4=1+2+3	5	6	7=5+6	8=4+7
A-1100	Basic salaries	780	-	(90)	690	-	-	-	690
A-1101	Family allowances	204	-	(34)	170	-	-	-	170
A-1102	Expatriation and foreign-residence allowances	202	-	(66)	136	-	-	-	136
A-1110	Contract staff	366	-	(26)	339	_	_	_	339
A-1111	Seconded national experts	134	-	27	162	_	_	_	162
A-1120	Insurance against sickness	<i>37</i>	-	(3)	34	-	-	_	34
A-1121	Insurance against accidents and occupational disea	6	-	(1)	5	-	-	-	5
A-1122	Insurance against unemployment	15	_	(2)	13	_	_	_	13
A-1130	Childbirth and death allowances and grants	1	_	(1)	-	_	_	_	_
A-1131	Travel expenses for annual leave	39	_	(Ì2)	26	_	_	_	26
Total cha	pter A-11	1 784	-	(210)	1 574	-	-	-	1 574
A-1200	Travel expenses	10	-	10	20	-	-	_	20
A-1210	Travel expenses on entering/leaving	3	-	(2)	1	-	-	-	1
A-1211	Installation resettlement and transfer allowances	12	-	(0)	12	-	-	-	12
A-1212	Removal expenses	6	-	(6)	-	-	-	-	-
A-1213	Daily subsistence allowances	15	-	(2)	13	_	_	_	13
Total cha	pter A-12	46	-	(0)	46	-	-	-	46
A-1300	Mission duty and travel expenses	201	-	33	234	_	0	0	234
Total cha	pter A-13	201	-	33	234	-	0	0	234
A-1400	Medical services	6	-	(1)	5	-	-	-	5
Total cha	pter A-14	6	-	(1)	5	-	-	-	5
A-1500	Training and language courses	70	-	14	84	-	-	-	84
Total cha	pter A-15	70	-	14	84	-	-	-	84
A-1600	External services	290	_	91	381	_	_	-	381
Total cha	pter A-16	290	-	91	381	-	-	-	381
A-1700	Representation and miscellaneous staff costs	6	-	(0)	5	-	-	-	5
	pter A-17	6	-	(0)	5	-	-	-	5
Total Tit	ile A-1	2 402	_	(73)	2 329	_	0	0	2 329

#### 5.1.2. Title A-2

EUR '000

		Initial adopted	Budget appropria	tions of the year		Ado	ditional appropriation	15	
		Initial adopted	A see a se ali se as					10	
		budget	Amending budgets	Transfers	Final budget adopted	Carryover	Assigned revenue	Total	Total appropr. available
		1	2	3	4=1+2+3	5	6	7=5+6	8=4+7
A-2000	Rent	33	-	19	52	-	-	-	52
A-2001	Insurance	1	-	(0)	1	-	_	_	1
A-2002	Water gas electricity and heating	30	-	(7)	23	_	-	_	23
A-2004	Fitting-out and maintenance of premises	1	-	1	2	-	_	_	2
A-2005	Security and surveillance of buildings	20	-	(16)	4	-	-	-	4
Total chapt	ter A-20	85	-	(4)	82	-	-	-	82
A-2100	Computer equipment	21	-	3	24	-	-	-	24
A-2101	Software	13	-	(5)	7	-	-	-	7
A-2102	Other external data processing services	49	-	70	119	_	_	_	119
Total chapt	ter A-21	82	-	68	150	-	-	-	150
A-2200	Technical installations and electronic office equi	1	-	(1)	0	-	-	_	0
A-2210	Furniture	5	-	1	6	_	_	_	6
A-2290	Books and publications	15	-	(12)	3	_	_	_	3
Total chapt	ter A-22	21	-	(12)	9	-	-	-	9
A-2300	Stationery and office supplies	6	-	7	13	-	_	_	13
A-2320	Bank charges	1	-	(0)	0	_	-	_	0
A-2329	Other financial charges	15	-	(1)	14	_	_	_	14
A-2330	Legal expenses	20	-	(19)	1	-	_	_	1
A-2359	Other operating expenses	5	-	73	<i>7</i> 9	_	_	_	<i>7</i> 9
Total chapt	ter A-23	47	-	60	107	-	-	-	107
A-2400	Postage and delivery charges	1	-	(0)	1	_	_	_	1
A-2410	Telecommunication charges	20	-	(18)	2	_	_	_	2
Total chapt	ter A-24	21	-	(18)	3	-	-	-	3
A-2500	Meetings in general	4	-	7	11	-	-	-	11
Total chapt	ter A-25	4	-	7	11	-	-	-	11
Total Title	e A-2	261	-	102	362	-	-	-	362

#### 5.1.3. Title B-3

		Budget appropriations of the year			Ado				
		Initial adopted budget	Amending budgets	Transfers	Final budget adopted	Carryover	Assigned revenue	Total	Total appropr. available
		1	2	3	4=1+2+3	5	6	7=5+6	8=4+7
B3-001	Support to the BEREC Expert Working Groups	<i>57</i> 8	-	(29)	549	-	-	-	549
B3-002	Activities under Articles 7 and 7a Framework Direc	33	_	_	33	_	-	-	33
B3-003	Collection exchange and transmission of information	150	_	-	150	_	-	-	150
Total chapter B3-0		761	-	(29)	732	-	-	-	732
B3-101	Other support activities to BEREC	500	-	125	625	-	-	-	625
B3-102	Provision of advice and other ad-hoc services to B	322	_	(125)	197	-	-	-	197
Total chapter B3-1		822	-	-	822	-	-	-	822
Total Title B-3		1 583	-	(29)	1 554	-	-	-	1 554
GRAND TOTAL		4 246	-	(0)	4 246	-	0	0	4 246

Budget appropriations of the year

# 5.2. Breakdown & changes in payment appropriations

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#### 5.2.1. Title A-1

Total chapter A-14

Total chapter A-15

Total chapter A-16

Total chapter A-17

A-1500

A-1600

A-1700

Title A-1

Training and language courses

Representation and miscellaneous staff costs

External services

		Initial adopted budget	Amending budgets	Transfers	Final budget adopted	Carryover	Assigned revenue	Total	Total appropr. available
		1	2	3	4=1+2+3	5	6	7=5+6	8=4+7
A-1100	Basic salaries	780	-	(90)	690	-	-	-	690
A-1101	Family allowances	204	_	(34)	170	_	_	_	170
A-1102	Expatriation and foreign-residence allowances	202	_	(66)	136	-	-	-	136
A-1110	Contract staff	366	-	(26)	339	-	-	-	339
A-1111	Seconded national experts	134	-	27	162	0	-	0	162
A-1120	Insurance against sickness	<i>37</i>	-	(3)	34	-	-	-	34
A-1121	Insurance against accidents and occupational disea	6	-	(1)	5	-	_	-	5
A-1122	Insurance against unemployment	15	-	(2)	13	-	-	-	13
A-1130	Childbirth and death allowances and grants	1	-	(1)	-	-	-	-	-
A-1131	Travel expenses for annual leave	39 1 784	-	(12)	26	-	-	-	26
	Total chapter A-11		-	(210)	1 574	0	-	0	1 574
A-1200	Travel expenses	10	-	10	20	2	-	2	22
A-1210	Travel expenses on entering/leaving	3	-	(2)	1	-	-	-	1
A-1211	Installation resettlement and transfer allowances	12	-	(0)	12	-	-	-	12
A-1212	Removal expenses	6	-	(6)	-	-	-	-	-
A-1213	Daily subsistence allowances	15 46	-	(2)	13	-	-	-	13
	Total chapter A-12		-	(0)	46	2	-	2	48
A-1300	Mission duty and travel expenses	201	-	33	234	30	0	30	264
Total chapter A-13		201	-	33	234	30	0	30	264
A-1400	Medical services	6	-	(1)	5	1	-	1	6

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Additional appropriations

# 5.2.2. Title A-2

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			Budget appropria	tions of the year		Add	itional appropriatior	ıs	
		Initial adopted budget	Amending budgets	Transfers	Final budget adopted	Carryover	Assigned revenue	Total	Total appropr. available
		1	2	3	4=1+2+3	5	6	7=5+6	8=4+7
A-2000	Rent	33	-	19	52	-	-	-	52
A-2001	Insurance	1	-	(0)	1	-	-	-	1
A-2002	Water gas electricity and heating	30	_	(7)	23	2	-	2	25
A-2004	Fitting-out and maintenance of premises	1	-	1	2	1	-	1	2
A-2005	Security and surveillance of buildings	20	-	(16)	4	15	-	15	19
Total chap		85	-	(4)	82	17	-	17	99
A-2100	Computer equipment	21	-	3	24	11	-	11	35
A-2101	Software	13	-	(5)	7	_	-	_	7
A-2102	Other external data processing services	49	-	70	119	<i>7</i> 6	-	<i>7</i> 6	195
Total chap		82	-	68	150	87	-	87	237
A-2200	Technical installations and electronic office equi	1	-	(1)	0	-	-	-	0
A-2210	Furniture	5	-	1	6	-	-	-	6
A-2290	Books and publications	15	-	(12)	3	4	-	4	7
Total chap		21	-	(12)	9	4	-	4	13
A-2300	Stationery and office supplies	6	-	7	13	2	-	2	15
A-2320	Bank charges	1	-	(0)	0	0	-	0	0
A-2329	Other financial charges	15	-	(1)	14	9	-	9	23
A-2330	Legal expenses	20	_	(19)	1	_	_	_	1
A-2359	Other operating expenses	5	-	<i>73</i>	<i>7</i> 9	-	-	-	<i>7</i> 9
Total chap	oter A-23	47	-	60	107	11	-	11	118
A-2400	Postage and delivery charges	1	_	(0)	1	0	_	0	1
A-2410	Telecommunication charges	20	-	(18)	2	15	-	15	17
Total chap		21	-	(18)	3	15	-	15	18
A-2500	Meetings in general	4	-	7	11	-	-	_	11
Total chap	oter A-25	4	-	7	11	-	-	-	11
Title A-2		261	-	102	362	134	-	134	496

# 5.2.3. Title B-3

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		Budget appropriations of the year				Add	าร		
		Initial adopted budget	Amending budgets	Transfers	Final budget adopted	Carryover	Assigned revenue	Total	Total appropr. available
		1	2	3	4=1+2+3	5	6	7=5+6	8=4+7
B3-001	Support to the BEREC Expert Working Groups	<i>578</i>	-	(29)	549	45	-	45	594
B3-002	Activities under Articles 7 and 7a Framework Direc	33	-	· <u>-</u>	33	-	-	-	33
B3-003	Collection exchange and transmission of information	150	-	-	150	27	-	27	178
Total cha	oter B3-0	761	-	(29)	732	73	-	73	805
B3-101	Other support activities to BEREC	500	-	125	625	45	-	45	670
B3-102	Provision of advice and other ad-hoc services to B	322	-	(125)	197	199	-	199	396
Total cha	oter B3-1	822	-	-	822	244	-	244	1 066
Title B-3		1 583	-	(29)	1 554	317	-	317	1 871
GRAND 1	OTAL	4 246	-	(0)	4 246	616	0	616	4 862

# **5.3.** Implementation of commitment appropriations

## 5.3.1. Title A-1

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			Со	mmitments ma	ade		Appropria	ations carried ove	er to 2017	Арј	propriations laps	sing	
	Total approp. availab.	From final adopt. budget	From carry overs	From assigned revenue	Total	%	Assigned revenue	By decision	Total	From final adopted budget	From carry overs	From assigned revenue	Total
		2			5=2+3+4	6=5/1			9=7+8	10	11	12	13=10+11 +12
A-1100 Basic salaries	690	690	_	_	690	100%	_	-	_	_	_	_	-
A-1101 Family allowances	170	170	_	_	170	100%	_	_	_	_	_	_	-
A-1102 Expatriation and foreign-residence allowances	136	136	-	-	136	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A-1110 Contract staff	339	339	_	_	339	100%	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
A-1111 Seconded national experts	162	162	_	_	162	100%	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
A-1120 Insurance against sickness	34	34	_	_	34	100%	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
A-1121 Insurance against accidents and occupational disea	5	5	-	-	5	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A-1122 Insurance against unemployment	13	13	_	_	13	100%	_	-	_	-	_	_	_
A-1131 Travel expenses for annual leave	26	26	_	_	26	100%	_	-	_	-	_	_	_
Total chapter A-11	1 574	1 574	-	-	1 574	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A-1200 Travel expenses	20	20	-	-	20	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A-1210 Travel expenses on entering/leaving	1	1	-	-	1	100%	-	-	_	-	-	-	-
A-1211 Installation resettlement and transfer allowances	12	12	-	-	12	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A-1213 Daily subsistence allowances	13	13	_	-	13	100%	-	-	_	-	_	-	-
Total chapter A-12	46	46	-	-	46	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A-1300 Mission duty and travel expenses	234	234	-	-	234	100%	0	-	0	0	-	_	0
Total chapter A-13	234	234	-	-	234	100%	0	-	0	0	-	-	0
A-1400 Medical services	5	3	-	-	3	60%	-	-	-	2	-	-	2
Total chapter A-14	5	3	-	-	3	60%	-	-	-	2	-	-	2
A-1500 Training and language courses	84	84	-	-	84	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total chapter A-15	84	84	-	-	84	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A-1600 External services	381	<i>378</i>	-	-	<i>378</i>	99%	-	-	-	3	-	-	3
Total chapter A-16	381	378	-	-	378	99%	-	-	-	3	-	-	3
A-1700 Representation and miscellaneous staff costs	5	5	-	-	5	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total chapter A-17	5	5	-	-	5	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Title A-1	2 329	2 324	-	-	2 324	100%	0	-	0	5	-	-	5

## 5.3.2. Title A-2

			Co	mmitments ma	ade		Appropria	itions carried ove	er to 2017		propriations laps	ing	
	Total approp. availab.	From final adopt. budget	From carry overs	From assigned revenue	Total	%	Assigned revenue	By decision	Total	From final adopted budget	From carry overs	From assigned revenue	Total
		2			5=2+3+4	6=5/1			9=7+8	10	11	12	13=10+1 +12
N-2000 Rent	52	. 52	-	-	52	100%	-	-	-	0	-	-	112
N-2001 Insurance	j	. 1	_	_	1	100%	_	_	_	_	_	_	
N-2002 Water gas electricity and heating	g 23	3 23	_	_	23	100%	-	-	_	-	-	_	
N-2004 Fitting-out and maintenance of premises		2	-	-	2	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	
N-2005 Security and surveillance of bui	dings 4	1 4	_	_	4	100%	_	_	_	_	_	_	
otal chapter A-20	82	82	-	-	82	100%	-	-	-	0	-	-	
-2100 Computer equipment	24	24	-	-	24	100%	-	-	-	0	-	-	
N-2101 Software	;	7 7	_	_	7	100%	_	-	_	0	-	_	
N-2102 Other external data processing			-	_	119	100%	_	-	-	-	-	_	
otal chapter A-21	150	150	-	-	150	100%	-	-	-	0	-	-	
1-2200 Technical installations and electrons office equi	ronic (	-	-	-	-	0%	-	-	-	0	-	-	
N-2210 Furniture	$\epsilon$	6	-	_	6	100%	_	-	_	0	-	_	
-2290 Books and publications	3	3	-	_	3	83%	_	-	_	1	-	_	
otal chapter A-22	g	9	-	-	9	94%	-	-	-	1	-	-	
N-2300 Stationery and office supplies	13	3 13	-	-	13	100%	-	-	-	0	-	-	
N-2320 Bank charges	(	0	-	-	0	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	
N-2329 Other financial charges	14	14	-	-	14	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	
l-2330 Legal expenses	į	1	-	-	1	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	
-2359 Other operating expenses	79		-	-	79	100%	-	-	-	0	-	-	
otal chapter A-23	107	106	-	-	106	100%	-	-	-	0	-	-	
1-2400 Postage and delivery charges	j	1	-	-	1	95%	-	-	-	0	-	-	
A-2410 Telecommunication charges	2	? 2	-	-	2	100%	-	-	-	0	-	-	

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## 5.3.3. Title B-3

Total chapter A-24
A-2500 Meetings in general
Total chapter A-25
Total Title A-2

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				Col	mmitments ma	ide		Appropria	ntions carried ove	er to 2017		propriations laps		
		Total approp. availab.	From final adopt. budget	From carry overs	From assigned revenue	Total	%	Assigned revenue	By decision	Total	From final adopted budget	From carry overs	From assigned revenue	Total
			2			5=2+3+4	6=5/1			9=7+8	10	11	12	13=10+11 +12
B3-001	Support to the BEREC Expert Working Groups	549	500	-	-	500	91%	-	-	-	49	-	-	49
B3-002	Activities under Articles 7 and 7a Framework Direc	33	11	-	-	11	33%	-	-	-	22	-	-	22
B3-003	Collection exchange and transmission of information	150	130	-	-	130	86%	-	-	-	20	-	-	20
Total cha	pter B3-0	732	641	-	-	641	88%	-	-	-	91	-	-	91
B3-101	Other support activities to BEREC	625	560	-	-	560	90%	-	-	-	65	-	-	65
B3-102	Provision of advice and other ad-hoc services to B	197	197	-	-	197	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total cha	pter B3-1	822	757	-	-	757	92%	-	-	-	65	-	-	65
Total Tit	le B-3	1 554	1 399	-	-	1 399	90%	-	-	-	156	-	-	156
GRAND	TOTAL	4 246	4 085	-	-	4 085	96%	0	-	0	161	-	-	161

# **5.4.** Implementation of payment appropriations

## 5.4.1. Title A-1

															EUR '000
				F	Payments made	9		Aŗ	propriations car	rried over to 2	017		Appropriation	ons lapsing	
		Total approp. availab.	From final adopted budget	From carry overs	From assiged revenue	Total	%	Automatic carry overs	By decision	Assigned revenue	Total	From final budget	From carry overs	From assiged revenue	Total
			2			5=2+3+4	6 = 5/1				10=7+8+9	11	12	13	14=11+12 +13
A-1100	Basic salaries	690	690	-	-	690	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A-1101	Family allowances	170	170	-	_	170	100%	_	_	-	-	-	_	-	-
A-1102	Expatriation and foreign-residence allowances	136	136	-	-	136	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A-1110	Contract staff	339	339	-	-	339	100%	_	_	-	-	-	-	-	_
A-1111	Seconded national experts	162	162	0	-	162	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A-1120	Insurance against sickness	34	34	-	-	34	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A-1121	Insurance against accidents and occupational disea	5	5	-	-	5	100%	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A-1122	Insurance against unemployment	13	13	-	-	13	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A-1131	Travel expenses for annual leave	26	26	-	-	26	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total cha		1 574	1 574	0	-	1 574	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A-1200	Travel expenses	22	15	2	-	17	75%	5	-	-	5	-	0	-	0
A-1210	Travel expenses on entering/leaving	1	1	-	-	1	53%	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
A-1211	Installation resettlement and transfer allowances	12	12	-	-	12	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A-1213	Daily subsistence allowances	13	13	-	-	13	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total cha		48	40	2	-	42	88%	6	-	-	6	-	0	-	0
A-1300	Mission duty and travel expenses	264	203	26	-	229	87%	31	-	0	31	0	4	-	4
Total cha		264	203	26	-	229	87%	31	-	0	31	0	4	-	4
A-1400	Medical services	6	-	1	-	1	15%	3	-	-	3	2	0	-	2
Total cha		6	-	1	-	1	15%	3	-	-	3	2	0	-	2
A-1500	Training and language courses	127	32	40	-	71	56%	52	-	-	52	-	3	-	3
Total cha		127	32	40	-	71	56%	52	-	-	52	-	3	-	3
A-1600	External services	467	219	<i>78</i>	-	<i>297</i>	64%	160	-	-	160	3	7	-	10
Total cha		467	219	78	-	297	64%	160	-	-	160	3	7	-	10
A-1700	Representation and miscellaneous staff costs	9	5	3	-	8	91%	1	-	-	1	-	0	-	0
Total cha Total Tit	pter A-17 : <b>le A-1</b>	9 <b>2 495</b>	5 <b>2 072</b>	3 <b>150</b>	_	8 <b>2 222</b>	91% <b>89%</b>	1 <b>252</b>	_	- 0	1 <b>252</b>	- 5	0 <b>15</b>	_	0 <b>20</b>

# 5.4.2. Title A-2

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				F	Payments made	2		Ap	propriations car	ried over to 20	)17		Appropriation	ons lapsing	
		Total approp. availab.	From final adopted budget	From carry overs	From assiged revenue	Total	%	Automatic carry overs	By decision	Assigned revenue	Total	From final budget	From carry overs	From assiged revenue	Total
			2			5=2+3+4	6 = 5/1				10=7+8+9	11	12	13	14=11+12 +13
A-2000	Rent	52	35	-	_	35	67%	17	_	-	17	0	_	-	0
A-2001	Insurance	1	1	-	-	1	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A-2002	Water gas electricity and heating	25	20	2	-	22	90%	2	-	-	2	-	0	-	0
A-2004	Fitting-out and maintenance of premises	2	2	1	-	2	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A-2005	Security and surveillance of buildings	19	3	15	-	18	96%	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Total cha		99	61	17	_	79	80%	20	-	-	20	0	0	-	0
A-2100	Computer equipment	35	24	11	-	35	100%	_	-	-	_	0	_	-	0
A-2101	Software	7	7	_	_	7	100%	_	_	_	_	0	-	_	0
A-2102	Other external data processing services	195	88	70	-	158	81%	31	-	-	31	-	6	-	6
Total cha		237	119	81	-	200	84%	31	-	-	31	0	6	-	6
A-2200	Technical installations and electronic office equi	0	-	-	-	-	0%	-	-	-	-	0	-	-	0
A-2210	Furniture	6	5	-	_	5	89%	1	_	_	1	0	_	_	0
A-2290	Books and publications	7	2	4	_	5	<i>75</i> %	1	_	_	1	1	0	_	1
Total cha		13	7	4	_	11	82%	2	_	-	2	1	0	_	1
A-2300	Stationery and office supplies	15	10	2	-	12	82%	3	-	-	3	0	-	-	0
A-2320	Bank charges	0	0	0	_	0	100%	_	_	-	-	_	0	-	0
A-2329	Other financial charges	23	-	9	-	9	38%	14	-	-	14	-	-	-	-
A-2330	Legal expenses	1	1	-	-	1	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A-2359	Other operating expenses	<i>7</i> 9	46	-	_	46	58%	33	-	-	33	0	_	_	0
Total cha		118	57	11	-	68	58%	50	-	-	50	0	0	-	0
A-2400	Postage and delivery charges	1	1	0	-	1	89%	0	-	-	0	0	0	-	0
A-2410	Telecommunication charges	17	0	13	-	13	76%	2	-	-	2	0	2	-	2
Total cha		18	1	13	-	14	77%	2	-	-	2	0	2	-	2
A-2500	Meetings in general	11	11	_	-	11	100%	-	-	-	-	_	-	-	-
Total cha Total Tit	pter A-25	11 <b>496</b>	11 <b>257</b>	- 126	_	11 <b>382</b>	100% <b>77%</b>	- 105	_	_	- 105	- 1	- 9	_	- 9

# 5.4.3. Title B-3

															EUR '000
				F	ayments made	e		Ap	propriations car	ried over to 20	017		Appropriation	ons lapsing	
		Total approp. availab.	From final adopted budget	From carry overs	From assiged revenue	Total	%	Automatic carry overs	By decision	Assigned revenue	Total	From final budget	From carry overs	From assiged revenue	Total
			2			5=2+3+4	6 = 5/1				10=7+8+9	11	12	13	14=11+12 +13
B3-001	Support to the BEREC Expert Working Groups	594	<i>373</i>	40	-	413	69%	127	-	-	127	49	6	-	54
B3-002	Activities under Articles 7 and 7a Framework Direc	33	11	-	-	11	33%	-	-	-	-	22	-	-	22
B3-003	Collection exchange and transmission of information	178	28	21	-	49	27%	102	-	-	102	20	7	-	27
Total cha	pter B3-0	805	412	61	_	472	59%	230	_	-	230	91	12	-	103
B3-101	Other support activities to BEREC	670	481	44	-	525	78%	80	-	-	80	65	1	-	66
B3-102	Provision of advice and other ad-hoc services to B	396	56	191	-	247	62%	141	-	-	141	-	7	-	7
Total cha	pter B3-1 t <b>le B-3</b>	1 066 <b>1 871</b>	537 <b>949</b>	235 <b>296</b>	_	772 <b>1 244</b>	72% <b>67%</b>	221 <b>450</b>	- -	_	221 <b>450</b>	65 <b>156</b>	8 <b>21</b>	_	73 <b>176</b>
GRAND	ΤΟΤΔΙ	4 862	3 278	571	_	3 849	79%	807	_	0	807	161	45	_	206

# 6. **COMMITMENTS OUTSTANDING**

# 6.1. Title A-1

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		Commi	tments outstanding	g at the end of pro	ev. year		Commitmen	ts of the year		Total commitments
		Comm. carried forward from prev. year	Decommit. Revaluation Cancellations	Payments	Total	Comm. made during the year	Payment	Cancellation of comm. which cannot be carried forward	Commit. outstanding at year-end	outstanding at year-end
		1	2	3	4=1+2-3	5	6	7	8=5-6-7	9=4+8
A-1100	Basic salaries	_	-	-	_	690	690	-	_	-
A-1101	Family allowances	-	-	-	-	170	170	-	-	-
A-1102	Expatriation and foreign-residence allowances	-	_	-	_	136	136	-	-	-
A-1110	Contract staff	_	_	_	_	339	339	_	_	_
A-1111	Seconded national experts	0	_	0	_	162	162	_	_	_
A-1120	Insurance against sickness	_	_	_	_	34	34	_	_	_
A-1121	Insurance against accidents and occupational disea	-	-	-	-	5	5	-	-	-
A-1122	Insurance against unemployment	_	_	_	_	13	13	_	_	_
A-1131	Travel expenses for annual leave	_	_	_	_	26	26	_	_	_
Total cha	pter A-11	0	-	0	-	1 574	1 574	-	-	-
A-1200	Travel expenses	2	(0)	2	_	20	15	-	5	5
A-1210	Travel expenses on entering/leaving	_	· -	_	_	1	1	_	1	1
A-1211	Installation resettlement and transfer allowances	-	-	-	-	12	12	-	-	-
A-1213	Daily subsistence allowances	_	_	_	_	13	13	_	_	_
	pter A-12	2	(0)	2	_	46	40	_	6	6
A-1300	Mission duty and travel expenses	30	(4)	26	_	234	203	_	31	31
	pter A-13	30	(4)	26	_	234	203	_	31	31
A-1400	Medical services	1	(0)	1	-	3	_	-	3	3
Total cha	pter A-14	1	(0)	1	-	3	-	-	3	3
A-1500	Training and language courses	43	(3)	40	-	84	32	-	52	52
	pter A-15	43	(3)	40	-	84	32	-	52	52
A-1600	External services	86	(7)	<i>78</i>	-	378	219	-	160	160
Total cha	pter A-16	86	(7)	78	-	378	219	-	160	160
A-1700	Representation and miscellaneous staff costs	3	(0)	3	-	5	5	-	1	1
Total cha	pter A-17	3	(0)	3	-	5	5	-	1	1
Total Tit	le A-1	165	(15)	150	_	2 324	2 072	_	252	252

# 6.2. Title A-2

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		Commi	tments outstanding	g at the end of pro	ev. year		Commitmen	its of the year		Total commitments
		Comm. carried forward from prev. year	Decommit. Revaluation Cancellations	Payments	Total	Comm. made during the year	Payment	Cancellation of comm. which cannot be carried forward	Commit. outstanding at year-end	outstanding at year-end
		1	2	3	4=1+2-3	5	6	7	8=5-6-7	9=4+8
A-2000	Rent	-	-	-	-	52	35	-	17	17
A-2001	Insurance	-	_	-	_	1	1	-	-	_
A-2002	Water gas electricity and heating	2	(0)	2	-	23	20	-	2	2
A-2004	Fitting-out and maintenance of premises	1	_	1	_	2	2	-	-	_
A-2005	Security and surveillance of buildings	15	-	15	_	4	3	-	1	1
	pter A-20	17	(0)	17	-	82	61	-	20	20
A-2100	Computer equipment	11	-	11	-	24	24	-	-	_
A-2101	Software	-	-	-	-	7	7	-	-	-
A-2102	Other external data processing services	<i>7</i> 6	(6)	70	-	119	88	-	31	31
	pter A-21	87	(6)	81	-	150	119	-	31	31
A-2210	Furniture	-	-	-	-	6	5	-	1	1
A-2290	Books and publications	4	(0)	4	-	3	2	-	1	1
	pter A-22	4	(0)	4	-	9	7	-	2	2
A-2300	Stationery and office supplies	2	-	2	_	13	10	-	3	3
A-2320	Bank charges	0	(0)	0	_	0	0	-	-	-
A-2329	Other financial charges	9	-	9	-	14	-	-	14	14
A-2330	Legal expenses	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	_
A-2359	Other operating expenses	_	-	_	-	79	46	-	33	33
	pter A-23	11	(0)	11	-	106	57	-	50	50
A-2400	Postage and delivery charges	0	(0)	0	-	1	1	-	0	0
A-2410	Telecommunication charges	15	(2)	13	_	2	0	-	2	2
	pter A-24	15	(2)	13	-	3	1	-	2	2
A-2500	Meetings in general	-	_	_	_	11	11	_	_	_
	pter A-25	404	(0)	125	_	11	11	-	-	-
Total Tit	ile A-Z	134	(9)	126	_	361	257	_	105	105

# **6.3.** Title B-3

										EUR '000
		Commitments outstanding at the end of prev. year					Commitments of the year			Total commitments
		Comm. carried forward from prev. year	Decommit. Revaluation Cancellations	Payments	Total	Comm. made during the year	Payment	Cancellation of comm. which cannot be carried forward	Commit. outstanding at year-end	outstanding at year-end
		1	2	3	4=1+2-3	5	6	7	8=5-6-7	9=4+8
B3-001	Support to the BEREC Expert Working Groups	45	(6)	40		500	373	-	127	127
B3-002	Activities under Articles 7 and 7a Framework Direc	-	-	-	-	11	11	-	-	-
B3-003	Collection exchange and transmission of information	27	(7)	21	-	130	28	-	102	102
Total chapter B3-0		73	(12)	61	-	641	412	-	230	230
B3-101	Other support activities to BEREC	45	(1)	44	-	560	481	_	80	80
B3-102	Provision of advice and other ad-hoc services to B	199	(7)	191	-	197	56	-	141	141
Total chapter B3-1		244	(8)	235	-	757	537	-	221	221
Total Title B-3		317	(21)	296	-	1 399	949	-	450	450
GRAND TOTAL		616	(45)	571	-	4 085	3 278	-	807	807

# 7. GLOSSARY

#### **ABAC**

This is the name given to the Commission's accounting system, which since 2005 has been enriched by accrual accounting rules. Apart from the cash-based budget accounts, the Commission produces accrual-based accounts which recognise revenue when earned, rather than when collected. Expenses are recognised when incurred rather than when paid. This contrasts with cash basis budgetary accounting that recognises transactions and other events only when cash is received or paid.

#### Accounting

The act of recording and reporting financial transactions, including the creation of the transaction, its recognition, processing, and summarisation in the financial statements.

## Administrative appropriations

Administrative appropriations cover the running costs of the Institutions and entities (staff, buildings, office equipment).

## Adjustment

Amending budget or transfer of funds from one budget item to another

#### Adopted budget

Draft budget becomes the adopted budget as soon as it is approved by the Budgetary Authority.Cf. Budget.

#### Agencies

EU bodies having a distinct legal personality, and to whom budget implementing powers may be delegated under strict conditions. They are subject to a distinct discharge from the discharge authority.

## Amending budget

Decision adopted during the budget year to amend (increase, decrease, transfer) aspects of the adopted budget of that year.

#### **Annuality**

The budgetary principle according to which expenditure and revenue is programmed and authorised for one year, starting on 1 January and ending on 31 December.

### **Appropriations**

Budget funding. The budget forecasts both commitments (legal pledges to provide finance, provided that certain conditions are fulfilled) and payments (cash or bank transfers to the beneficiaries). Appropriations for commitments and payments often differ — differentiated appropriations — because multiannual programmes and projects are usually fully committed in the year they are decided and are paid over the years as the implementation of the programme and project progresses. Non-differentiated appropriations apply to administrative expenditure, for agricultural market support and direct payments and commitment appropriations equal payment appropriations.

## Assigned revenue External/Internal

Dedicated revenue received to finance specific items of expenditure. Main sources of external assigned revenue are financial contributions from third countries to programmes financed by the Union. Main sources of internal assigned revenue is revenue from third parties in respect of goods, services or work supplied at their request; (c) revenue arising from the repayment of amounts wrongly paid and revenue from the sale of publications and films, including those on an electronic medium. The complete list of items constituting assigned revenue is given in the Financial Regulation Art.21.2.

## Authorising Officer (AO)

The AO is responsible in each institution for authorising revenue and expenditure operations in accordance with the principles of sound financial management and for ensuring that the requirements of legality and regularity are complied with.

## **Budget**

Annual financial plan, drawn up according to budgetary principles, that provides forecasts and authorises, for each financial year, an estimate of future costs and revenue and expenditures and their detailed description and justification, the latter included in budgetary remarks.

## **Budget result**

The difference between income received and amounts paid, including adjustments for carry-overs, cancellations and exchange rate differences. The resulting amount will have to be reimbursed to the funding authority as provided in the Financial Regulation for Agencies.

## Budget implementation

Consumption of the budget through expenditure and revenue operations.

## Budget item / Budget line / Budget position

As far as the budget structure is concerned, revenue and expenditure are shown in the budget in accordance with a binding nomenclature which reflects the nature and purpose of each item, as imposed by the budgetary authority. The individual headings (title, chapter, article or item) provide a formal description of the nomenclature.

#### **Budgetary authority**

Institutions with decisional powers on budgetary matters: the European Parliament and the Council of Ministers

### **Budgetary commitment**

A budgetary commitment is a reservation of appropriations to cover for subsequent expenses.

#### Cancellation of appropriations

Unused appropriations that may no longer be used.

#### Carryover of appropriations

Exception to the principle of annuality in so far as appropriations that could not be used in a given budget year may, under strict conditions, be exceptionally carried over for use during the following year.

## Commitment appropriations

Commitment appropriations cover the total cost of legal obligations (contracts, grant agreements/decisions) that could be signed in the current financial year. Art. 7 FR: Commitment appropriations cover the total cost in the current financial year of legal obligations (contracts, grant agreements/decisions) entered into for operations extending over more than one year.

## De-commitment

Cancellation of a reservation of appropriations

## Differentiated appropriations

Differentiated appropriations are used to finance multiannual operations; they cover, for the current financial year, the total cost of the legal obligations entered into for operations whose implementation extends over more than one financial year. Art. 7 FR: Differentiated appropriations are entered for multiannual operations. They consist of commitment appropriations and payment appropriations.

## Earmarked revenue

Revenue earmarked for a specific purpose, such as income from foundations, subsidies, gifts and bequests, including the earmarked revenue specific to each institution. (Cf. Assigned revenue)

#### Economic result

Impact on the balance sheet of expenditure and revenue based on accrual accounting rules.

### Entitlements established

Entitlements are recovery orders that the European Union must establish for collecting income.

#### Exchange rate difference

The difference resulting from currency exchange rates applied to the transactions concerning countries outside the euro area, or from the revaluation of assets and liabilities in foreign currency at the closure.

#### Expenditure

Term used to describe spending the budget from all types of funds sources.

#### Financial regulation (FR)

Adopted through the ordinary legislative procedure after consulting the European Court of Auditors, this regulation lays down the rules for the establishment and implementation of the general budget of the European Union. (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012)

#### **Funds Source**

Type of appropriations (e.g.: C1, C2, etc.)

#### Grants

Direct financial contributions, by way of donation, from the budget in order to finance either an action intended to help achieve an objective part of an EU policy or the functioning of a body which pursues an aim of general European interest or has an objective forming part of an EU policy.

## Implementation

Cf. Budget implementation

## Income

Cf. Revenue

### Joint Undertakings (JUs)

A legal EU-body established under the TFEU. The term can be used to describe any collaborative structure proposed for the "efficient execution of Union research, technological development and demonstration programmes".

#### Lapsing appropriations

Unused appropriations to be cancelled at the end of the financial year. Lapsing means the cancellation of all or part of the authorisation to make expenditures and/or incur liabilities which is represented by an appropriation.

## Legal base (basic act)

The legal base or basis is, as a general rule, a law based on an article in the Treaty giving competence to the Community for a specific Title and setting out the conditions for fulfilling that competence including budget implementation. Certain Treaty articles authorise the Commission to undertake certain actions, which imply spending, without there being a further legal act.

## Legal commitment

A legal commitment establishes a legal obligation towards third parties.

### Non-differentiated appropriations

Non-differentiated appropriations are for operations of an annual nature. (Art. 9 FR). In the EU-Budget non-differentiated appropriations apply to administrative expenditure, for agricultural market support and direct payments

## Operational appropriations

Operational appropriations finance the different policies, mainly in the form of grants or procurement.

### Outstanding commitment

Legal commitments having not fully given rise to liquidation by payments. Cf. RAL.

#### Outturn

Cf. Budget result

#### **Payment**

A payment is a cash disbursement to honour legal obligations.

## Payment appropriations

Payment appropriations cover expenditure due in the current year, arising from legal commitments entered in the current year and/or earlier years (Art. 7 FR).

#### RAI

Sum of outstanding commitments. Outstanding commitments (or RAL, from the French 'reste à liquider') are defined as the amount of appropriations committed that have not yet been paid. They *stem directly* from the existence of multiannual programmes and the dissociation between commitment and payment appropriations. (Cf. Outstanding commitments)

#### Recovery

The recovery order is the procedure by which the Authorising officer (AO) registers an entitlement by the Commission in order to retrieve the amount which is due. The entitlement is the right that the Commission has to claim the sum which is due by a debtor, usually a beneficiary.

#### Result

Cf. Outturn

#### Revenue

Term used to describe income from all sources financing the budget.

## Rules of application

Detailed rules for the implementation of the financial regulation. They are set out in a Commission regulation adopted after consulting all institutions and cannot alter the financial regulation upon which they depend.

#### Surplus

Positive difference between revenue and expenditure (see Budget result) which has to be returned to the funding authority as provided in the Financial Regulation.

## Transfer

Transfers between budget lines imply the relocation of appropriations from one budget line to another, in the course of the financial year, and thereby they constitute an exception to the budgetary principle of specification. They are, however, expressly authorised by the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union under the conditions laid down in the Financial Regulation. The FR identifies different types of transfers depending on whether they are between or within budget titles, chapters, articles or headings and require different levels of authorization.